

...before the Foundation of the World

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Ephesians 1:4 (NKJV)
4. just as **He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world**, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love,

John 17:24 (NKJV)
24. "Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that **they** may behold My **glory** which You have given Me; **for You loved Me before the foundation of the world**."

John 17:20 (NKJV)

20. "**I do not pray for these alone**, but also for **those** who will believe in Me **through their word**;

Glory: state - a state of high honor.

2 Peter 1:16-18 (NKJV)

16 For **we** did not follow cunningly devised fables when **we** made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, **but were eyewitnesses of His majesty**.

17. For He received from God the Father honor and glory when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory: "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

18. And we heard this voice which came from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.

Matthew 17:1-5 (NKJV)

1. Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves;

2. and He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light.

3. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Him.

4. Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You wish, let us make here three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

5. While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them; and suddenly a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear Him!"

John 17:25-26 (NKJV)

25. O righteous Father! The world has not known You, but I have known You; and **these** have known that You sent Me.

26. And I have **declared** to them **Your name**, and will **declared** it, that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them."

declared: to cause to know

name: person/name - any rational entity (human being, God) understood by their name; perhaps understood according to the **reputation** and **character** of the person.

Ephesians 1:4-6 (NKJV)

4. just as He **chose** us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love,

⁵. having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will,

⁶. to the praise of the glory of His grace, **by which He made us accepted in the Beloved.**

John 4:12-16 (NKJV)

I 12. No one has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God abides in us, and His love has been perfected in us.

13. By this we know that we abide in Him, and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit.

14. And we have seen and **testify** that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world.

15. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.

16. **And we have known** and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.

Because Jesus caused God's love to be known = **declared**

testify: to testify approvingly - to offer firsthand authentication in favor or in affirmation of someone.

1 Peter 2:4 (NKJV)

4. **Coming** to Him as to a living stone, **rejected** indeed by men, but **chosen by God** and **precious**,

rejected: to be disapproved of - to be considered bad, wrong, unfit.

Chosen: selected (by someone) in preference to another (or others).

Precious: worth-of high worth or cost. valuable/honored

Coming :to approach - to move towards or near.
Seek association with; agree with